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In re Application of: Stephan NEES et al.

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AMENDMENT AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION <u>UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.111</u>

Sir:

In response to the Non-Final Office Action mailed September 30, 2009 response for which is presently due on or before **December 30, 2009**, please enter the following amendments and remarks:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of the claims which begins on page 2 of this paper; and

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.